

## France Ready To Quit in 1917, Says Pershing

### Work of Red Cross Behind Lines Praised by General for Upholding Morale Until U. S. Aid Arrived

France was ready to quit the war in the spring of 1917, and might have done so had it not been for the efforts of America to build up her collapsed morale, General Pershing told the eight hundred men and women who gathered at the dinner to H. P. Davison, chairman of the War Council of the American Red Cross, at the Waldorf last night.

der Mr. Davison's direction, did behind the lines he attributed in large part the fact that France did not desert the alliance that eventually overcame Germany.

General Pershing told of the tremendously depressing effect that the failure for the Allied offensives in 1917 had had upon the French and British—especially the French.

"Depression Among French  
"You would be surprised," he said, "if I told you how very great the dejection was in the French army. That story never has been told, and I doubt whether this is the time to tell it all. Our problem was how we should build up that morale and hold France in the war—literally in the war."

The general then told of the great work that the Red Cross had done by aiding the stricken families of France and building up the morale of the nation behind the fighting line. He also paid high tribute to the ability of Marshal Pétain.

"No man ever fell heir to an army with lower morale," he said, "than did General Pétain when he assumed command of the French army."

He spoke of the effect that Pétain had on the imagination of his troops

and how desperately he worked to restore their fighting ability by devoting himself to personal visits to the various French armies.

General Pershing also told of the great effect that the Red Cross had in sustaining the morale of the A. E. F.

**Praise for Red Cross Work**

"The record and achievements of the Red Cross," he concluded, "will ever stand as a monument to the generosity and humanity of the American people and as an everlasting monument to the genius, vision and patriotism of Henry P. Davison."

Mr. Davison in his address spoke of the Red Cross league, comprising all of the Red Cross societies in existence save those of the Central Powers that had been recently formed at Geneva to carry through a peace-time program. The object of this league, he said, was to institute a sort of international board of health to control epidemics and to care for suffering of all sorts everywhere. Its primary definite aims are:

"To encourage and promote in every country in the world the establishment and development of a duly authorized voluntary Red Cross organization, having as purposes the improvement of health, the prevention of disease and the mitigation of suffering throughout the world, and to secure cooperation of such organizations for these purposes."

"To promote the welfare of mankind by furnishing a medium for bringing within the reach of all the peoples the benefits to be derived from present known facts and new contributions to science and medical knowledge and their application."

"To furnish a medium for coordinating relief work in time of great national and international calamities."

Dr. John H. Finley and Mrs. August Belmont also spoke. Dr. Livingston Farrand presided.

**Marshall Talks Here Tuesday**

WASHINGTON, April 17.—Vice-President and Mrs. Marshall returned to Washington to-day from Scottsdale, Ariz., where they have been visiting Mrs. Marshall's mother. The Vice-President will go to New York Monday and will speak at the annual luncheon of members of The Associated Press there on Tuesday.

### Nurses Oppose Flat Bonus Land Grants, Loans and Aid for Disabled Indorsed

ATLANTA, April 17.—Opposition to a flat bonus payment to all ex-service men and women and indorsement of the plan for land grants and long term loans and for increased payments to those disabled during war service was expressed in a resolution adopted to-day at a joint session of the conventions of the National League for Nursing Education, the National Organization for Public Health Nursing and the American Nurses' Association.

Miss Anna C. Jamme, of California, and Edna L. Foley, of Chicago, were elected presidents of the National League for Nursing Education and the National Organization for Public Health Nursing, respectively.

**70 Per Cent of Gallantry Honors Won by Enlisted Men**

WASHINGTON, April 17.—Enlisted men received nearly 70 per cent of the gallantry certificates issued to the

American Expeditionary Forces, a report issued today by the War Department showed. Citations in orders for gallantry in action for which no medal was awarded included 3,343 enlisted men, 1,219 company officers, nine general officers and fifteen civilians and nurses.

The Second Division led in the receiving of gallantry certificates, 911 such citations having gone to it. The Third Division was second with 535.

### House Votes to Increase Payments to War Crippled

WASHINGTON, April 17.—By unanimous vote the House to-day passed a bill increasing by \$20 a month the war risk insurance payment of the government to 25,000 disabled soldiers and sailors now receiving vocational rehabilitation.

Under the measure, which now goes to the Senate, single men would receive \$100 a month and married men \$120. Various organizations of World War veterans supported the bill.

### Withdrawal of French Explained by Officer

**Asserts Occupying Army Never Intended to Remain in Frankfurt More Than Fortnight**

FRANKFORT, April 17 (By The Associated Press).—"We have intended all along to remain in Frankfurt only a fortnight," said one of the French officers of the 37th Division, discussing the announcement that his division would withdraw to-morrow to Weissenbaden from the newly occupied territory.

Asked when he thought the remaining French and Belgian troops would leave, he replied: "That rests with the Germans themselves."

The fact that half the French forces are clearing out is taken to indicate that the French authorities are satisfied there is no likelihood of further trouble.

ESSEN, April 17 (By The Associated Press).—The deputy burgomaster of Essen said to-day the Reichswehr

forces would be withdrawn, with the exception of 1,500 men, with twelve field guns and one armored train. Eight hundred security guards also will remain. The time limit for the delivery of arms has been extended to noon to-morrow.

When all the troops have been withdrawn the deputy burgomaster added, the police will be increased to 1,000 men. Courts martial are sitting in seventeen cities in the Ruhr district. Death sentences will depend upon the signature of President Ebert.

### U. S. Naval Ships at Sea Will Run on Standard Time

WASHINGTON, April 17.—Ships of the American navy will keep their clocks at standard time while at sea, as determined by the twenty-four standard time zones into which the surface of the globe is divided, the Navy Department announced to-day.

Hitherto a ship's time was adjusted according to the position at noon each day. The British, French and Italian navies already have adopted the new method.

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#### Women's Tailored Suits

Regularly 65.00 to 85.00 **54.00**

Strictly tailored and belted models, braid bound and stitched types, and some with embroidered pockets. In navy blue Poiret twill, serge and tricotine.

#### Women's Tailored Suits

Regularly 89.50 to 110.00 **68.00**

Satin bound, tuxedo, eton and mannish styles. Newest treatments in collars, sleeves, pockets and belts, touches of cable stitching and embroidery. In navy blue tricotine and Poiret twill, also velour checks.

#### Women's Tailored Suits

Regularly 110.00 to 165.00 **95.00**

An assemblage of the most beautiful strictly tailored and costume styles, featuring eton, pony, long coat and embroidered styles. In tricotine, velour, covert and fine twills.

### WOMEN'S CAPES AND WRAPS—SECOND FLOOR

#### Women's Daytime Capes

Regularly 65.00 **48.00**

Capes of duvet de laine in radium blue with large collar and turn-back revers of satin; also two-tier Capes of navy blue serge, gray and tan Poiret twill.

#### Women's Capes and Wraps

Regularly 110.00 to 125.00 **78.00**

Two distinctive models in peachbloom with cloister collars or surplice fronts of pussywillow. In cloud, victory blue, mushroom, twine and brown; also tricotine capes.

### MISSES' DRESSES—Third Floor.

#### Misses' Tailored & Dressy Frocks

Made to sell for 59.50 to 85.00 **38.00**

A collection of odd dresses, some slightly handled. Included are dresses of serge, satin, taffeta, net and a limited number of evening frocks. Sizes 14 to 20.

#### Misses' Tailored and Afternoon Dresses

Made to sell for 75.00 to 110.00 **58.00**

Dresses of taffeta, satin, crepe de chine, plain and figured Georgette and beaded effects in light and dark colorings. Also tailored types in Poiret twill and tricotine. Sizes 14 to 20.

#### Misses' Tailored and Afternoon Dresses

Made to sell for 85.00 to 135.00 **68.00**

The assortment includes dresses of Georgette crepe, taffeta, satin, crepe de chine, handsome embroidered and gold thread treatments. Also dresses of Poiret twill, tricotine and fine serge. Sizes 14 to 20.

#### Misses' Day and Evening Dresses

Made to sell for 110.00 to 195.00 **95.00**

Frocks of flowered Georgette crepe, lace and chiffon, taffeta. Afternoon gowns in beaded and lace-trimmed effects and crepe de chine frocks. Sizes 14 to 20.

### MISSES' TAILORED SUITS—Third Floor.

#### Misses' Tailored Suits

Regularly 59.50 to 69.50 **48.00**

Tailored, eton and pony models of navy blue and black Poiret twill and serge, simply tailored and with bindings of braid or taffeta. Sizes 14 to 18.

#### Misses' Tailored Suits

Regularly 79.50 to 95.00 **65.00**

Navy blue Poiret twill and tricotine suits developed in embroidered and braided styles of etons and box coats with novelty belts. Also plain tailored styles in mannish effects. Sizes 14 to 18.

#### Misses' Tailored Suits

Regularly 110.00 to 165.00 **95.00**

Many novelty treatments in eton, box and tailored effects are included in this collection, featuring the very highest types in misses' tailored and costume suits. Sizes 14 to 18.

#### Women's Capes and Wraps

Regularly 79.50 **58.00**

Tricotine Capes with long turn-back revers, cable stitching and tie belts. Wrap-Coats of velour with large shirred collar in brown, taupe and radium.

#### Women's Daytime Wraps

Regularly 135.00 **95.00**

Three models of Peachbloom Wrap-Capes with large collars, in all the favored shadings, including victory blue, twine, sparrow, partridge and beaver.

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Taffeta Breakfast Coats, simple Kimonos of crepe de chine and meteor.

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Very handsome tea gowns of various materials in combination with rich laces.

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Exclusive Bonwit Teller & Co. negligees of rich velvets in various colorings and in chiffon.

### Sale of Petticoats

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#### Tailored Petticoats

Formerly 7.00 to 10.75 **5.95**

Various styles of taffeta, satin and silk jersey for wear with tailored costumes.

#### Dressy Petticoats

Formerly 16.50 to 35.00 **14.75**

Imported petticoats of chiffon and soft ribbon, hand-emb'd habutai silk and novelty chiffon effects.

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#### Organdie Blouses

Formerly 11.50 **6.50**

In rose, pink, flesh, maize and white, with various trimming treatments.

#### Tricolette Blouses

Formerly 19.50 **10.00**

Slip-over models in high shades and dark colorings, solid colors, tracery patterns and wool embroidery.

#### Embroidered Organdie Blouses

Formerly 19.50 **12.50**

Blouse and overblouse styles, with short sleeves. White with flesh, copen or tan embroidered dots.

#### High Color Novelty Blouses

Formerly 22.50 to 35.00 **15.00**

Included are blouses of all-over braid, taffeta in high colors; georgette in blouse and slip-over styles. Some beaded, some embroidered.

### Sale of Hosiery

#### Medium Weight Silk Hose

Three Pairs 5.75 The Pair **1.95**

In black or cordovan only. Re-enforced lisle garter tops and soles.

#### Superfine Silk Hose

Three Pairs 8.00 The Pair **2.75**  
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In black, white or cordovan. Re-enforced lisle or all silk garter tops.

#### Sheer Black Silk Hose

Tax Per Pair .29 The Pair **4.85**

A superior quality of the fashionable extremely sheer hose in black only.